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Sustainable development and international economic cooperation

Report of the Second Committee*

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I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled:

"Sustainable development and international economic cooperation:

"(a) Implementation of commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade;

"(b) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy;

"(c) Cultural development;

"(d) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership;

"(e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee (see A/C.2/55/1).

2. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on the item at its 12th to 14th meetings, on 12 and 16 October 2000. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/55/SR.12-14).

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Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 7th meetings, on 2, 3 and 5 October (see A/C.2/55/SR.3-7). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be given in addenda to the present report, as follows:

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3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

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Report of the Secretary-General on the status of preparations for the International Year of Mountains, 2002 (A/55/218)

Letter dated 2 May 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Armenia and Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/68-S/2000/377)

Letter dated 2 May 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Azerbaijan and Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/69-S/2000/378)

Letter dated 26 April 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Georgia and Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/71-S/2000/393)

Letter dated 11 July 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation and Tajikistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Dushanbe Declaration of the Heads of State of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation and Tajikistan and a joint communiqué (A/55/133-S/2000/682)

Letter dated 3 August 2000 from the representatives of China and the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Beijing Declaration (A/55/277-S/2000/783)

Letter dated 17 August 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Mongolia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/310)

Letter dated 15 June 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly, transmitting the final communiqué of the Authority of Heads of State and Government of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (A/55/325)

Letter dated 5 October 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Japan and the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Joint Statement on Cooperation between the Russian Federation and Japan on International Affairs (A/55/462-S/2000/974)

Letter dated 10 October 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of India and the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Declaration on Strategic Partnership between India and the Russian Federation (A/55/473)

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

Report of the Secretary-General containing a draft text of an international development strategy for the first decade of the new millennium (A/55/89-E/2000/80)

Report of the Secretary-General containing an update on the implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (A/55/209)

Letter dated 5 May 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly, transmitting the Declaration and the Havana Programme of Action adopted by the South Summit of the Group of 77, meeting in Havana from 10 to 14 April 2000 (A/55/74)

Letter dated 28 June 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Egypt and Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the joint communiqué of the Tenth Summit of the Heads of State and Government of the Group of Fifteen, meeting in Cairo on 19 and 20 June 2000 (A/55/139-E/2000/93)

Letter dated 1 August 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué Okinawa 2000 adopted by the Group of Eight on 23 July 2000 (A/55/257-S/2000/766)

Letter dated 18 August 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Turkmenistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/309)

(b) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

Report of the Secretary-General on the integration of the economies in transition into the world economy (A/55/188)

Letter dated 1 August 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué Okinawa 2000 adopted by the Group of Eight on 23 July 2000 (A/55/257-S/2000/766)

Letter dated 18 August 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Turkmenistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/309)

Letter dated 20 September 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Uzbekistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the New York Memorandum adopted by the Presidents of Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Uzbekistan at their meeting on 6 September 2000 and a communiqué (A/55/434-S/2000/926)

(c) Cultural development

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on cultural development (A/55/339)

Letter dated 5 May 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly, transmitting the Declaration and the Havana Programme of Action adopted by the South Summit of the Group of 77, meeting in Havana from 10 to 14 April 2000 (A/55/74)

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(d) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

Report of the Secretary-General on renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership (A/55/314)

Letter dated 5 May 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly, transmitting the Declaration and the Havana Programme of Action adopted by the South Summit of the Group of 77, meeting in Havana from 10 to 14 April 2000 (A/55/74)

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adopted by the Presidents of Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Uzbekistan at their meeting on 6 September 2000 and a communiqué (A/55/434-S/2000/926)

(e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)

Report of the Secretary-General on coordinated implementation by the United Nations system of the Habitat Agenda (A/55/83-E/2000/62)

Report of the Commission on Human Settlements acting as the preparatory committee for the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) on its first substantive session (8-12 May 2000) (A/55/121)

Letter dated 5 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Ministerial Statement adopted at the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77, held on 15 September 2000 (A/55/459)

4. At the 12th meeting, on 12 October, introductory statements were made by the Director of the Development Policy Analysis Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, under sub-items 94 (a) and (b); the Director of the Division for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, under sub-item (d); the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), under sub-item (e); the representatives of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, under the general item; and the representatives of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, under the general item and sub-item (c) (see A/C.2/55/SR.12).

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Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

Report of the Second Committee*

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I. Introduction

1. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on agenda item 94 (see A/55/581, para. 2). Action on sub-item (a) was taken at the 37th and 40th meetings, on 29 November and 1 December 2000. An account of the Committee's consideration of the sub-item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/55/SR.37 and 40).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.39

2. At the 37th meeting, on 27 November, the representative of Nigeria, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development

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Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade" (A/C.2/55/L.39). Subsequently, Kyrgyzstan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

3. At the 40th meeting, on 1 December, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Navid Hanif (Pakistan), informed the Committee of the outcome of the informal consultations held on the draft resolution and orally revised the penultimate preambular paragraph by replacing the words "final event of the international intergovernmental conference on financing and development" by the words "high-level international intergovernmental event on financing for development".

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.39, as orally revised (see para. 5).

III. Recommendation of the Second Committee

5. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the importance and continuing validity of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, contained in the annex to its resolution S-18/3 of 1 May 1990, and of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to its resolution 45/199 of 21 December 1990,

Recalling the results of all the major United Nations conferences and summit meetings held since the beginning of the 1990s,

Reaffirming the United Nations Millennium Declaration,[1] in particular the targets and commitments relating to development and poverty eradication,

Emphasizing the importance of the several other development-oriented meetings being convened under the auspices of the United Nations over the next two years, including the high-level international intergovernmental event on financing for development, the special session to review and address the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, the special session of the General Assembly on children, the ten-year review of the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, and the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of

[1] Resolution 55/2.

the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II),

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade,[2] and the draft text of an international development strategy for the first decade of the new millennium submitted by the Secretary-General,[3]

1. *Expresses regret* that the consultations foreseen in resolution 54/206 of 22 December 1999 could not be held;

2. *Decides* to postpone the further development of a new international development strategy until after the aforementioned meetings have been held;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session with an overview of the challenges and constraints, as well as progress made towards achieving the major development goals and objectives adopted by the United Nations during the decade of the 1990s;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the sub-item entitled "Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Decade".

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[2] A/55/209.

[3] A/55/89-E/2000/80.